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1782 Wright is no longer mentioned in the Queen Anne's County records, but he appears in Kent County as an attorney-at-law and remains there until his death. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: in 1790 in Kent County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £11,298.8.1 current money (including a backgammon table and an extensive collection, consisting of about 50 titles, of law books); FB, £11,154.3.7. LAND: ca. 879 acres in Queen Anne's County.

WROTH (WROUTH, RAWTH), JAMES (?-1706). BORN: probably in England. IMMIGRATED: in 1665, from England, as an indentured servant. RESIDED: at "Draycott" on the south side of the Sassafras River in Baltimore (later became Cecil) County, by 1670; on Langford Bay, Kent County, by 1694; purchased "Reurdon," his dwelling plantation on Langford Bay, Kent County, in 1699. FAMILY BACKGROUND, SISTER: probably Parnell, who married by 1670 Henry Eldersly (?-1708). married first, by 1670, Elizabeth. married second, Ann Kinvin (Kurven, Kirwan). MARRIED third, by 1700, Mary, who subsequently married ca. 1707/8 John Price. CHILDREN. SONS: John, who married on February 3, 1705, Catherine Conaway; Kinvin (?-1750), who married Sarah; and James, who married Ann Walmsley. DAUGH-TERS: Elizabeth, who married George Lumley; Mary; Martha; Deborah; Anne (1694-?); and Susannah. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: illiterate in 1672; literate by 1682. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, St. Paul's Parish, Kent County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: arrived as a servant to Joseph Hopkins; probably free by 1670; Gent., by 1688. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: servant, free by ca. 1670; planter, by 1672; merchant. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House. Cecil County, 1692-1693 (elected to the 1st session of the 1692–1693 Assembly to fill vacancy). LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Cecil County, 1685-1688. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: His tenure as justice was marred by accusations of malfeasance in office made by Henry Coursey (ca. 1629-1695). In a letter to the Council in 1688. Coursey accused Wroth and two other justices of conspiring to acquit a layman for taking it upon himself to arrange a marriage between Sarah (1676-?), the eleven year old daughter of John Vanhack (?-1675), and Stephen Coleman (?-by ca. 1702), a tailor. This marriage was adamantly opposed by her aunt and guardian, whom Wroth tried to bribe to cooperate in the scheme. Sarah subsequently married Stephen Coleman, ca. 1691/92. Coursey further charged that the magistrates (unnamed) divested a Mr. Hill of his house, land, and goods, by marrying Hill's wife to another man while Hill was away in Calvert County for the duration of "two crops." Wroth was not renewed in the October 1688 list of commissions, STANDS ON PUB-LIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: opposed Protestant Associators' Revolution, 1689. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1.025 acres in Baltimore and Kent counties (225 acres by purchase in Baltimore County and 800 acres in Kent County by patent). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: buried on November 21, 1706, in St. Paul's Parish, Kent County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £167.18.4 (including 2 slaves, 1 silver tankard, and 6 silver spoons); FB, estate overpaid, £89.17.6. LAND: 2,500 acres in Kent and Talbot (later became Queen Anne's) counties; 2,020 acres were sold by his executors to satisfy his debts.

WYNN, EDWARD (?-1692). BORN: probably in Wales. IMMIGRATED: probably in 1692, as a free adult. RESIDED: in St. Mary's City, St. Mary's County. PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant. SOCIAL STA-TUS AND ACTIVITIES: probably arrived in April 1692 with Lionel Copley (1648-1693); Esq., 1692; termed a "barrister at law" and "a dull Welch lawyer" by Edward Randolph (1632-1703). OC-CUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawver; admitted to the Provincial Court in April 1692. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, St. Mary's City, 1692 (died before the 2nd session of the 1692-1693 Assembly). OTHER PROVINCIAL OF-FICE: attorney general, April-September 1692. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: by September 8, 1692.

YARDLEY (YEARDLEY), FRANCIS (ca. 1624by 1655). BORN: ca. 1624, in James City County, Virginia; younger son. IMMIGRATED: in 1651, as a free adult from Virginia. RESIDED: Yardley owned land on Portobacco Creek, St. Mary's (now Charles) County, but he never settled permanently in Maryland. His principal residence was in Lower Norfolk County, Virginia. FAMILY BACK-GROUND. FATHER: Sir George Yardley (1588–1627), who was acting governor of Virginia, 1616–1617. governor, 1618-1621, 1626-1627, and a member of the Council, 1621-1626. STEPFATHER: Francis West. MOTHER: Temperance Flowerdew (Flowerdiew) (?-ca. 1628). BROTHER: Agroll (Argoll), Esq. (1621-1655), a merchant and councillor of Virginia, 1644–1645, who married first, Frances, and second, ca. 1649, Anne Custis. SISTER: Elizabeth (1619-?). MARRIED in 1647 Sarah (1609-